

# Caterina Ciniselli – Member of Youth Parliament Manifesto

## Who am I?

My name is Caterina Ciniselli, and I am running for the position of Member of Youth Parliament for Carlisle. I am standing for office because I am dedicated to, and passionate about making a positive impact on our area. I believe the needs of young people are frequently overlooked and I aim to change that, for both the benefit of Carlisle's youth and the wider community.

## My experience and skills:

I have lived in Carlisle for almost 6 years since moving here from Liverpool at 11. This means that I have been able to see the differences between Carlisle and more urban areas, and I can tell what Carlisle's youth are lacking.

I am also a member of my school's student council, which has allowed me to contribute to discussions about school issues and planning school events with my peers. This has helped me to develop my communication skills, as well as skills in organisation.

I'm a writer in my school magazine, where I produce articles about politics or similar areas, which has allowed me to share messages in a way that targets young people.

I think these factors would make me a suitable candidate because, in my opinion, the role of a Member of Youth Parliament is to ensure the voices of young people are heard, and that their concerns can be addressed accordingly.

## What I plan to do if elected:

Provide third spaces: One of my main priorities is to create more spaces outside of home, school, or work for young people to socialise. I would aim to create a youth-led group to take part in activities, to improve our own wellbeing as well as the City of Carlisle.

Political awareness: I would also ensure that accurate political knowledge is accessible to all by releasing a monthly newsletter which would be available to young people.

Our environment: I am passionate about protecting our environment to preserve our future, and would campaign to make more carbon-neutral changes in Carlisle.

I believe that these issues are important to young people because they all fall into the bigger picture of improving our future, as well as making Carlisle a more positive place for its young people today.

Thank you for reading my manifesto. With your support, we can work together to turn Carlisle into the city it should be for young people.